



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
(Case No. 99,297)

In the Application of:	)	
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Yatvin, et al.	)	Before the Examiner:
	)	S. A. Jiang
Serial No. 09/993,976	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 1617
Filed: November 5, 2001	)	
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For: Covalent Conjugates of Biologically-Active	)	Confirmation No.: 7958
Compounds with Amino Acids and Amino Acid	)	
Derivatives for Targeting to Physiologically-	)	
Protected Sites	)	

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Respectfully submitted,  
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Dated: April 2, 2004

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